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For: CARRIER NUCLEIC ACIDS COMPLEXES CONTAINING NUCLEIC ACIDS
ENCODING ANTI-ANGIOGENIC PEPTIDES AND THEIR USE IN GENE THERAPY

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Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed May 28, 2002 (Paper No. 5), for the above-captioned application. A response is due with a three-month extension of time fee on November 28, 2002. While applicant believes that the correct payment for the extension of time fee is attached, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 08-1641.

Please amend the Claims and add new Claims 36-40 as set forth in the Amendments below and in the attached Marked Copy. No new matter is added with such amendments.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

21. (Amended) A method for inhibiting tumor growth in a subject bearing a tumor, which comprises administering to the subject RNA encoding at least one anti-angiogenic protein or peptide in a carrier whereby the RNA is expressed and tumor growth is inhibited, wherein the